

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM COMMISSION**

Thursday, February 22, 2018

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission (the "Commission") was held in the Coliseum Commission Room on Thursday, February 22, 2018, and was called to order at 2:41 p.m. by President **PRICE**.

**2. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:           Mr. Curren D. Price, Jr., President  
                      Ms. Mona Pasquil Rogers, Vice President  
                      Mr. Solomon Rivera  
                      Mr. Mark E. Pulido  
                      Ms. Janice Hahn  
                      Mr. Mark Ridley-Thomas

Six (6) and a quorum

ABSENT:           Mr. Reginald B. Jones-Sawyer, Sr. (Non-voting)  
                      Mr. Ricardo Lara (Non-voting)  
                      Mr. Marqueece Harris-Dawson (Alternate)  
                      Ms. Anita DeFrantz (Alternate)  
                      Ms. Noreen Vincent, Co-Counsel

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Al Naipo, Secretary and Interim CAO  
                      Ms. Teresa Lujan, Co-Counsel  
                      Ms. Sonia Chan, Co-Counsel  
                      Ms. Rachelle Anema, Controller

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| ALSO PRESENT: | Mr. Mark Baucum       | Mr. Benny Tran         |
|               | Mr. Dan Stimmler      | Ms. Jacquelyn Horton   |
|               | Ms. Diane Sher        | Mr. Kevin Daly         |
|               | Mr. Tom LaBonge       | Mr. Timothy McOsker    |
|               | Ms. Ana Lasso         | Ms. Theodora Oyie      |
|               | Mr. Matt Curran       | Mr. Thomas Sayles      |
|               | Ms. Claudia Gutierrez | Mr. Thomas J. Faughnan |
|               | Mr. Nick Ippolito     | Ms. Elaine Lemke       |

3. President **PRICE** welcomed the newest members to the Commission; Commissioner **HAHN**, Los Angeles County appointee and Commissioner **RIVERA**, City of Los Angeles appointee. President **PRICE** also welcomed Vice President **PASQUIL ROGERS** and Commissioner **PULIDO**.

Commissioner **HAHN** announced she is pleased to attend her first Coliseum Commission meeting.

Commissioner **RIVERA** announced he is honored to serve as Commissioner for the Coliseum Commission.

Vice President **PASQUIL ROGERS** welcomed the newest members to the commission.

Commissioner **PULIDO** extended his greetings and welcomed Commissioners **HAHN** and **RIVERA**.

President **PRICE** concluded his comments, giving thanks to the commissioners and their willingness to serve.

4. **RECEIVED** public comment from Ms. **SHER**, who expressed a keen interest in Exposition Park and the Coliseum. She stated her love for the new soccer stadium. Ms. **SHER** also welcomed the new commissioners and wanted to bring to the Commission's attention the loss of trees in wake of the construction and how it was promised to the Commission that all 170 trees lost would be replaced.

President **PRICE** acknowledged Ms. **SHER**'s statement, and stated that the Commission will follow-up and monitor the replanting of trees.

5. **APPROVED** a motion from Commissioner **PULIDO**, seconded by Vice President **PASQUIL ROGERS**, to accept the Minutes of the Commission's Special Meeting on October 30, 2017.

Ayes: **PRICE, PULIDO, RIDLEY-THOMAS, PASQUIL ROGERS**  
Abstentions: **HAHN, RIVERA**

6. **APPROVED** a motion from Commissioner **PULIDO**, seconded by Vice President **PASQUIL ROGERS**, to appoint Mr. Al Naipo as Commission Secretary, effective February 22, 2018.

Ayes: **PULIDO, PASQUIL ROGERS, HAHN, RIDLEY-THOMAS, PRICE, RIVERA**

7. **APPROVED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, that the Election of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission Officers be continued until the next meeting.
8. **RECEIVED AND FILED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, the report from the Interim Chief Administrative Officer.

Item D. President **PRICE** invited Tom LaBonge to address the Commission regarding private fundraising efforts to secure funds for five Court of Honor nominees. Mr. LaBonge stated that the process is proceeding and he will update Commission staff on his progress.

Item E. Commission members expressed dissatisfaction with the renaming of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum to United Airlines Memorial Coliseum, effective August 2019.

Commissioner **HAHN** stated for the record, she is disappointed and very sorry that removing "Los Angeles" from the Coliseum's name is unfortunate due to its historical significance.

Commissioner **RIDLEY-THOMAS** further stated that history can't be erased and that Commission members and the community will likely continue to refer to it as the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. Commissioner **RIDLEY-THOMAS** also indicated that perhaps the last word hasn't been rendered in terms of how it is referenced.

Commission Counsel, **LUJAN**, advised that the naming rights were negotiated as part of the lease agreement.

Item G. President **PRICE** requested an update, on the ongoing search for a new CAO, at the Commission's next meeting from the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors.

9. **RECEIVED AND FILED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, the report on the Coliseum Commission's financial statements and independent auditor's report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.
10. **RECEIVED AND FILED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, University of Southern California's (USC) Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum General Manager's Report.
11. **RECEIVED AND FILED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, the update on Los Angeles Football Club's Redevelopment Project.



12. **RECEIVED AND FILED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, the update on Exposition Park construction activity.

13. **APPROVED** a motion by President **PRICE**, seconded by Commissioner **HAHN**, for the Commission to include as a public interest event, the Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Show and Community Festival at the Coliseum on July 4, 2018.

Ayes: **PULIDO, PASQUIL ROGERS, HAHN, RIDLEY-THOMAS, PRICE, SOLOMON**

14. **APPROVED** a motion by Commissioner **PULIDO**, seconded by Vice President **PASQUIL ROGERS**, for the Commission to host a Memorial Day ceremony at the Coliseum on May 28, 2018 as a public interest event.

Ayes: **PULIDO, PASQUIL ROGERS, HAHN, RIDLEY-THOMAS, PRICE, RIVERA**

15. **APPROVED** a motion by Commissioner **RIDLEY-THOMAS**, seconded by President **PRICE**, to accept the Commission's Regular Meeting Schedule for 2018.

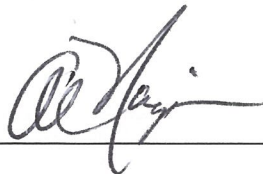
Ayes: **PULIDO, PASQUIL ROGERS, HAHN, RIDLEY-THOMAS, PRICE, RIVERA**

Further, Commissioner **RIDLEY-THOMAS** suggested to members that the Commission establish an ad hoc committee to review the terms of the lease agreement in order to address any concerns involving issues related to the operation and maintenance of the Coliseum.

16. Commissioner **HAHN** asked to adjourn in the memory of Reverend Billy Graham.

**ADJOURNED** at 3:59 p.m.

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Secretary